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Memorandum

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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs
Director, Fish and Wildlife Service
Director, National Park Service
Director, Geological Survey
Director, Bureau of Land Management
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation
Office of the Solicitor (Attn: Kevin Tanaka, Room 3023-MIB)

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance {**LEAD**}

Subject: Review of Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Upper North Fork Feather River Project, FERC No. 2105-089, Plumas County, California
(**ER 04/704**)(Agency due date: **November 1, 2004**)

SPECIAL ATTENTION and HANDLING

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has requested the Department to review the subject environmental impact statement. Copies are attached to this memorandum. In addition, the DEIS was mailed by FERC directly to numerous DOI offices (see List of Recipients, pages 393-395). An electronic copy of the DEIS can be viewed on FERC's web site at www.ferc.gov, using the "Documents & Filing" link; select "eLibrary" and follow the instructions.

Would you please have your appropriate field-level office review the statement from its rticular jurisdiction or special expertise. **Forward your comments (including a "no comment") to the Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance no later than October 18, 2004.** Due to the complexity of issues concerning this project, it is imperative that comments are timely.

OEPC staff, in conjunction with SOL staff, will prepare the Department's comments for signature by the Director, OEPC by **October 25, 2004**. Please supply all signed, paper comments and comments on disk to OEPC.

Related reviews are under ER 99/788, 99/952, 02/1024, 03/005, 03/433, and 03/748.

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